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IN RE APPLICATION OF

Art Unit: 1615

PATEL ET AL.

Examiner: Oh, Simon J.

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FOR: MODAFINIL COMPOSITIONS

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

NOTICE OF APPEAL PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The period for filing a Notice of Appeal has a shortened statutory time set to expire on June 21, 2005. A three-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

A two-month extension was previously requested and paid for, making the extension fee due at this time \$570 (\$1020 less the previously paid amount of \$450).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$570 for payment of the extension fee. An additional copy of this paper is here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

Respectfully submitted,

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